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REMARKS

The Applicants request reconsideration of the rejection. Claims 32-43 are pending in the application.

Claims 20-43 were rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over Claims 1-12 of U.S. Patent No. 5,909,205. Claims 20-31 are canceled. The Applicants submit concurrently herewith a Terminal Disclaimer in order to overcome the Examiner's double patenting rejection.

In view of the foregoing amendments, remarks and Terminal Disclaimer, the Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejection and allowance of the claims.

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